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March MOSS LANDING Trip

On Sunday, March 12, a fine clear day, fifty members and guests of the Golden Gate and Monterey Peninsula Audubon Societies met at Moss Landing on Monterey Bay. Charles Anderson led us first on a hike to the mud flats north-east of the Elkhorn Slough bridge. After lunch on the dunes, we birded along the beach, the boat channel and the lagoons. A female old squaw, a flock of brants, and numerous red-throated loons were observed at close range. Other high lights were an osprey, a Swainson hawk and a Lincoln sparrow. 81 species were observed.

Common Loon
Arctic Loon
Red-throated Loon
Red-necked Grebe
Horned Grebe
Eared Grebe
Western Grebe
Pied-billed Grebe
White Pelican
Brown Pelican
Double-crested Cormorant
Brandt Cormorant
Great Blue Heron
Am. Egret
Snowy Egret
Black Brant
Mallard
Pintail
Green-winged Teal
Cinnamon Teal
Shoveller
Scaup
Old Squaw
White-winged Scoter
Surf Scoter
Ruddy Duck
Red-breasted Merganser
Turkey Vulture
Red-tailed Hawk
Swainson Hawk
Golden Eagle
Osprey
Sparrow Hawk
Coot
Snowy Plover
Killdeer
Black-bellied Plover
Wilson Snipe
Long-billed Curlew
Hudsonian Curlew
Willet
Greater Yellow-legs
Dowitcher
Marbled Godwit
Sanderling
Avocet
Glaucous-winged Gull
Western Gull
Herring Gull
California Gull
Ring-billed Gull
Sort-billed Gull
Allen Hummingbird
Belted Kingfisher
Red-shafted Flicker
Acorn Woodpecker
Lewis Woodpecker
Black Phoebe
Violet-green Swallow
Tree Swallow
Steller Jay
Scrub Jay (Calif.)
Yellow-billed Magpie
Crow
Chestnut-backed Chickadee
Mockingbird
Western Bluebird
Water Pipit
Cedar Waxwing
Loggerhead Shrike
House Sparrow
Western Meadowlark
Red-winged Blackbird
Brewer Blackbird
House Finch
Lesser Goldfinch
Savannah Sparrow
Oregon Junco
White-crowned Sparrow
Lincoln Sparrow
Song Sparrow

A. Laurence Curl, Leader and Historian.

Special January Field Trip

The Saturday January 28 field trip was taken to the Berkeley Aquatic Park and the territory at the Northern end of the race track. Some members walked out on the Berkeley pier. Seven species of gulls were observed in addition to other water fowl. Excellent views were had of American Golden-eye and Bufflehead ducks and White-winged Scoters. The mud flats north of the race track furnished good views of Willets, Sandpipers, and Sanderlings. A total of 44 species was observed.

Weather was clear with a brisk Northwest wind.

Sixteen members participated in the field trip. A total of 34 met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur H. Myer for coffee and dessert at 1 P.M. This proved to be a most enjoyable finish to a very successful day in the field.

Harold G. Peterson, Leader and Historian.

Special February Field Trip

Saturday, February 25, thirty-one members and friends met at 9:00 A.M. in the fog at Spreckles Lake. Glaucous-winged, western, California, herring, ring-billed and short-billed gulls were recorded here, as were mallard, bald-pate, canvas back, lesser-scaup and ruddy ducks. On a back road to Chain-of-Lakes there were robins, pine siskins, a black phoebe, a red-shafted flicker and a creeper. About 10:00 the sky cleared and the day from then on was windless and perfect. At the north lake of the Chain there was a male wood-duck and a pair of shovellers. The Middle Lake displayed an Anthony green heron and at least two Florida gallinules. The next productive stop was the landing at the Cliff House, where the high-light was a ruddy turnstone among many black turnstones, and with two sanderlings and at least one surf-bird. The afternoon light on the rock toward the north was very favorable for observation. To the south seals were basking in profusion on the rocks.

Other highlights were; Allen hummingbird, ruby-crowned kinglet, Audubon warbler. 45 species in all.

E. A. Mayers, Leader and Historian.

HONORARY MEMBERSHIP. Mrs. Laura A. Stephens was voted an honorary member at the regular meeting February 9th. For twelve years, 1929-1941, as Editor of "The Gull" and Treasurer, Mrs. Stephens gave unsparingly of her talents and energies in behalf of our organization. See "Achievement" in "The Gull", March 1942.

Joseph J. Webb, a Charter member 1917, President 1934, Director 1938 & 1939, Corresponding Secretary since 1940. Since 1931 he has contributed many interesting, informative and valuable articles to the Gull, and given valuable service on Legislative committees. Died March 1950.

Mr. Edward A. Mayers was appointed to fill the vacancy of Corresponding Secretary.

Golden Gate Audubon Society

Condensed Treasurer's Report for 1949

FINANCIAL STATEMENT:

Balance on hand January 1, 1949	$ 507.93	
Receipts in 1949	1097.57	$1605.52
Expenditures	$ 901.35	
Balance in commercial account January 1, 1950	699.67	
Cash on hand January 1, 1950	4.50	$1605.52

TOTAL ASSETS:

Commercial account	$ 699.67	
Cash	4.50	
Savings account	67.33	
U.S. Treasury Bond	370.00	$1141.50

MEMBERSHIP:

Membership in Force December 31, 1948	285
Membership in Force December 31, 1949	377

Signed: Ivander MacIver, Treasurer.

January 23, 1950 Approved by **Harold G. Peterson**, Auditor.

OBSERVATIONS

Edited by JUNEA W. KELLY

Allen hummingbird, aried thrushes (unusually late) Feb. 19, Larkspur, Mrs. Mary Courtright.

1 White-tailed kite, Feb. 19, 2 miles N. W. of Stockton; 1 near Farmington, Herman Leffler.

Red-bellied hawk, golden eagle, violet-green swallow, white-th. swift, Feb. 19. Laurence Curl.

Orange-crowned warbler, Jewel Lake, Feb. 26; rough-winged swallow, March 4, Niles Canyon; varied thrush, March 14, Lucas Valley, Vee Curtis.

Correction 600 Sandhill cranes, Jan. 22, Isleton-Lodi road, Howard Cogswell.

MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY with addresses and telephone numbers is available. Secure it at the next meeting or send 25 cents to Mrs. Arthur H. Myer, 25 El Camino Real, Berkeley 5. Enclose 2 cent stamp for postage. Get acquainted with your associates, they may be your neighbors.

"BEYOND THE TRAILS". The Crisler Picture, Friday April 7th, Berkeley High School Little Theatre. Probably the last showing of this unusual film as it has been sold to Walt Disney. Don't miss it! Mail reservations to Mrs. Harold Paige, 5651 Oak Grove Ave., Oakland 9.

NEW MEMBERS. We welcome the following; from San Francisco, Mrs. Alfred C. Bach, Miss Virginia Chilton, Mrs. Olga Koch, Mrs. Lewis Michelson; from Oakland, Miss Marjorie L. Gunn, Mrs. Harold L. Paige; from Berkeley, Mr. Richard Bailey, Mrs. Catherine S. Ballenger, Miss H. Z. Weller; from Piedmont, Mrs. Jas. B. Graeser, Mrs. L. W. Stettner, Mrs. T. A. Westphal; From San Anselmo, Mr. E. H. Tompkins.

April Meeting

The 391st meeting of the Golden Gate Audubon Society will be held April 13th at 7:30 p.m. in the Assembly Hall of the Public Library, Larkin and McAllister Sts., San Francisco.

Dr. T. Eric Reynolds, whose avocation is Ornithology, will speak on the subject, "Gulls of The World." Guests are welcome. No-host dinner at Hotel Whitcomb, at 6 p.m.

Harry C. Adamson,
Program chairman.

April Saturday Field Meeting

On Saturday, April 15, to Bay Farm Island, Alameda. This should be a good time for the shore bird spring migration. Meet at Lincoln Park at 12:45 p.m. **(daylight saving time).** From San Francisco take "O" bus at 12:05 p.m. and get off at Santa Clara and High Streets (no longer end of line); from the East Bay take 51 or 58 bus. Leader, Harold Peterson, LO. 8-7534. Bring lunch if desired, binoculars, and interested friends.

April Field Trip

Sunday, April 23, to the McCoy Ranch and Arroyo Mocho, south of Livermore. Here is a good chance to see the phainopepla and other unusual birds of the Livermore Hills. Meet at the flagpole on First Street, Livermore, at 9:00 a.m., then go south on South Livermore Ave., Telsa Road, and Mines Road to the McCoy Ranch. Transportation will be by private car. Leader, Frank Scott, AS. 3-1253. Bring lunch, binoculars, and interested friends.

Special May Field Trip

Sunday, May 7, to Napa County, via the Silverado Trail, to Conn Lake, Pope Valley, Putah Creek, and Lombardi's. On this trip two years ago the wood duck, red-bellied hawk, black-throated gray and tolmie warblers, and hooded oriole were among the 77 species noted. Transportation by private car. Meet at University and San Pablo Avenues in Berkeley at 7:00 a.m. Leader, Kenneth Schulz, KE. 2-5552. Bring lunch, binoculars and interested friends.

—A. Laurence Curl, Chairman
Field Trips Committee.

IN MEMORIAM:

Mrs. John Bakewell, a member since 1948.

Mr. L. Ph. Bolander Jr., a member since 1944.

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Monthly meetings second Thursday, 7:30 p. m.